

Appl. No. 09/778,375
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Reply to Office Action of June 8, 2005
Customer No. 27752

REMARKS

Claim Status

Claims 1 and 10 - 16 are pending in the present application. Claims 1, 10-11, and 14-16 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103. Claims 12-13 have been indicated as allowable, but are objected to as depending from a rejected base claim.

Claims 1 and 10-11, and 16 are canceled without prejudice by this amendment.

Rejections Under 35 USC §103

Claims 1, 10-11, and 14-16 have been rejected under 35 USC §103. While these rejections are not agreed with or acquiesced to, in the interest of obtaining timely allowance of claims 12 and 13 (indicated as allowable), applicants have canceled Claims 1, 10-11, and 14-16. Claims 12 and 13 have been re-written in independent form incorporating the features of previously presented Claim 16.

These cancellations and amendments make the rejections under § 103 moot.

Conclusion

In light of the above amendments and remarks, it is requested that the Examiner allow pending claims 12 and 13.

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